

## **DEPARTMENT OF LABOR**

**Occupational Safety and Health Administration** 

[Docket No. OSHA-2011-0860]

The 13 Carcinogens Standard; Extension of the Office of Management and Budget's (OMB) Approval of Information Collection (Paperwork) Requirements

**AGENCY**: Occupational Safety and Health Administration (OSHA), Labor.

**ACTION**: Request for public comments.

**SUMMARY**: OSHA solicits public comments concerning its proposal to extend OMB approval of the information collection requirements contained in the 13 Carcinogens Standard.

DATES: Comments must be submitted (postmarked, sent, or received) by [INSERT DATE 60 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER].

### **ADDRESSES**:

Electronically: You may submit comments and attachments electronically at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal. Follow the instructions online for submitting comments.

Facsimile: If your comments, including attachments, are not longer than 10 pages, you may fax them to the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-1648.

Mail, hand delivery, express mail, messenger, or courier service: When using this method, you must submit a copy of your comments and attachments to the OSHA Docket Office, Docket No. OSHA-2012-0012, Occupational Safety and Health

Administration, U.S. Department of Labor, Room N-3653, 200 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20210. Deliveries (hand, express mail, messenger, and courier service) are accepted during the Docket Office's normal business hours, 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m., ET.

Instructions: All submissions must include the Agency name and the OSHA docket number (OSHA-2012-0012) for the Information Collection Request (ICR). All comments, including any personal information you provide, are placed in the public docket without change, and may be made available online at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. For further information on submitting comments see the "Public Participation" heading in the section of this notice titled "SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION."

Docket: To read or download comments or other material in the docket, go to http://www.regulations.gov or the OSHA Docket Office at the above address. All documents in the docket (including this Federal Register notice) are listed in the http://www.regulations.gov index; however, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download from the website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office. You may also contact Christie Garner at the phone number below in FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT to obtain a copy of the ICR.

FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Thomas Mockler or Christie Garner, Directorate of Standards and Guidance, OSHA, U.S. Department of Labor, (202) 693-2222.

## SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION:

### I. Background

The Department of Labor, as part of its continuing effort to reduce paperwork and respondent (i.e., employer) burden, conducts a preclearance consultation program to provide the public with an opportunity to comment on proposed and continuing information collection requirements in accordance with the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA) (44 U.S.C. 3506(c)(2)(A)). This program ensures that information is in the desired format, reporting burden (time and costs) is minimal, collection instruments are clearly understood, and OSHA's estimate of the information collection burden is accurate. The Occupational Safety and Health Act of 1970 (the OSH Act) (29 U.S.C. 651 et seq.) authorizes information collection by employers as necessary or appropriate for enforcement of the OSH Act or for developing information regarding the causes and prevention of occupational injuries, illnesses, and accidents (29 U.S.C. 657). The OSH Act also requires that OSHA obtain such information with minimum burden upon employers, especially those operating small business, and to reduce to the maximum extent feasible unnecessary duplication of efforts in obtaining information (29 U.S.C. 657).

The information collection requirements specified in the 13 Carcinogens Standard protect workers from the adverse health effects that may result from their exposure to the specified carcinogens. The following is a brief description of the collection of information requirements contained in the 13 Carcinogens Standard: establishing and implementing a medical surveillance program for workers assigned to enter regulated areas; informing workers of their medical examination results; and providing workers with access to their medical records. Further, employers must retain worker medical records for specified time periods and make them available upon request to OSHA and

NIOSH.

**II. Special Issues for Comment** 

OSHA has a particular interest in comments on the following issues:

• Whether the proposed information collection requirements are necessary for

the proper performance of the Agency's functions, including whether the information is

useful;

• The accuracy of OSHA's estimate of the burden (time and costs) of the

information collection requirements, including the validity of the methodology and

assumptions used;

• The quality, utility, and clarity of the information collected; and

• Ways to minimize the burden on employers who must comply; for example, by

using automated or other technological information collection and transmission

techniques.

**III. Proposed Actions** 

OSHA is requesting that OMB extend the approval of the information collection

requirements contained in the 13 Carcinogens Standard (29 CFR 1910.1003). OSHA is

requesting an adjustment increase of 67 hours (from 1,493 hours to 1,560 hours). The

increase is a result of a slight growth in the number of establishments affected by the

Standards from 97 to 101.

The Agency will summarize any comments submitted in response to this notice

and will include this summary in its request to OMB.

*Type of Review:* 

Extension of a currently approved collection.

Title:

13 Carcinogens Standard (29 CFR 1910.1003).

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OMB Control

*Number:* 1218-0085.

Affected Public: Businesses or other for-profits.

Number of

Respondents: 101.

Frequency

of Responses: On occasion, annually.

Total Number

of Responses: 2,291.

Average Time

per Response: Time per response ranges from approximately 5 minutes (for

employers to maintain records) to 2 hours (for worker medical

surveillance).

Estimated Total

Burden Hours: 1,560 hours.

Estimated Cost

(Operation and

*Maintenance*): \$ 115,370.

# IV. Public Participation — Submission of Comments on this Notice and Internet Access to Comments and Submissions

You may submit comments in response to this document as follows: (1) Electronically at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>, which is the Federal eRulemaking Portal; (2) by facsimile (fax); or (3) by hard copy. All comments, attachments, and other material must identify the Agency name and the OSHA docket number for the ICR (Docket No. OSHA-2011-0860). You may supplement electronic submissions by uploading document files electronically. If you wish to mail additional materials in reference to an electronic or facsimile submission, you must submit them to the OSHA Docket Office (see the section of this notice titled "ADDRESSES"). The additional

materials must clearly identify your electronic comments by your name, date, and the docket number so the Agency can attach them to your comments.

Because of security procedures, the use of regular mail may cause a significant delay in the receipt of comments. For information about security procedures concerning the delivery of materials by hand, express delivery, messenger, or courier service, please contact the OSHA Docket Office at (202) 693-2350, (TTY (877) 889-5627).

Comments and submissions are posted without change at <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a>. Therefore, OSHA cautions commenters about submitting personal information such as their social security number and dates of birth. Although all submissions are listed in the <a href="http://www.regulations.gov">http://www.regulations.gov</a> index, some information (e.g., copyrighted material) is not publicly available to read or download from this website. All submissions, including copyrighted material, are available for inspection and copying at the OSHA Docket Office.

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V. Authority and Signature

Loren Sweatt, Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational

Safety and Health, directed the preparation of this notice. The authority for this notice is

the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (44 U.S.C. 3506 et seq.) and Secretary of Labor's

Order No. 1-2012 (77 FR 3912).

Signed at Washington, DC, on June 13, 2018.

Loren Sweatt,

Deputy Assistant Secretary of Labor for Occupational Safety and Health.

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